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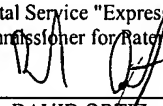
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**Enclosed please find amended sheets 3, 3a, and 10 of the specification and amended sheets 11-13 with amended claims 1-15.**

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